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OBTAINED BY THE PROCESS, AND USE OF THE  
PLANTS  
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

The following preliminary amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application. Prior to examination of the present application, please consider the following:

**Amendments to the Title** begin on page 2 of this Preliminary Amendment.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 3 of this Preliminary Amendment.

**Remarks** begin on page 13 of this Preliminary Amendment.

**AMENDMENTS TO THE TITLE**

The following is a complete, marked up listing of the amended Title with underlined text indicating insertions, and strikethrough and/or double-bracketed text indicating deletions.

~~METHOD FOR PRODUCING~~ PROCESS OF STERILE PLANTS, PLANTS OBTAINED  
~~BY USING THE SAME~~ THE PROCESS, AND USE OF THE PLANTSTHEREOF